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PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No. 15966-672

(Cura-172))



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FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a utility patent is sought on the invention entitled

NOVEL POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING SAME

the specification of which was filed on February 14, 2001 and assigned U.S.S.N. 09/783,436, bearing Attorney Docket No. 15966-672 (CURA-172).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

☒ I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) or §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT International application(s) designating the United States of America listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

Application No. <i>(U.S.S.N.)</i>	Filing Date <i>(dd/month/yyyy)</i>	Status <i>(Patented, Pending, Abandoned)</i>
60/182,637	February 15, 2000	Abandoned
60/237,862	October 4, 2000	Pending
60/240,316	October 13, 2000	Pending

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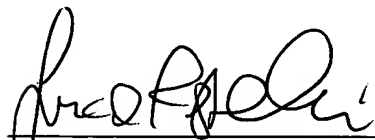
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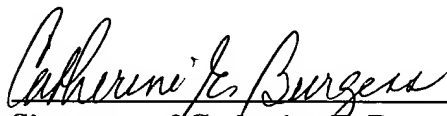
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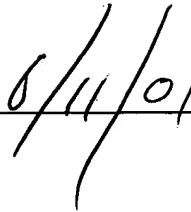
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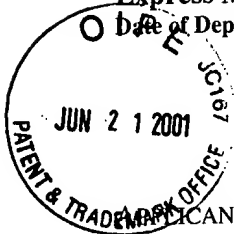
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FOR: NOVEL POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING SAME

STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(c) – SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN)

I hereby state that I am an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

CuraGen Corporation
322 East Main Street
Branford, CT 06405

I hereby state that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern, as defined in 13 C.F.R. § 121, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office under Sections 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third-party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to, and remain with, the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in:

- ☐ the specification filed herewith with title as listed above;
☒ the application identified above; or
☐ the patent identified above.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights in the invention is listed below and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(c), if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(e).

APPLICANTS: Vernet, et al.
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Each person, concern, or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:



no such person, concern, or organization exists.



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♦ Note: Separate Statements Claiming Small Entity Status are required from each named person, concern, or organization having rights to the invention. 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

Full Name:

Address:

☐ Individual ☐ Small Business Concern ☐ Non-profit Organization

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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